

ROLE OF A FACULTY ADVISOR

The faculty advisor is essential to the development of the individual. You provide the chapter members with the continuity and help they need to attain academic goals. You also serve as a liaison between the Greek organization and the college/university. Suggested responsibilities of a faculty advisor are to:

- Be accessible to the membership. This is very important because you will probably be the first person to know of academic problems.
- Conduct at least one workshop each year on how to improve academic performance (a study skills workshop).
- Support the scholarship chairman in planning and executing scholarship programs. These programs should include other faculty and administrators who can help members achieve their academic goals.
- Help the scholarship chairman maintain a list of referrals for members who are having academic problems. (These should include the study skills center for learning disabilities, etc.)
- Create a plan with the scholarship chairman to get other faculty members involved with the chapter as guest speakers on their field of expertise.
- Have regular communications with the Chapter Advisor.
- Attend one scholarship committee meeting a month and chapter meetings when possible.
- Review new member programs to ensure that scholastic performance is encouraged and not hindered by the development program.
- Help the scholarship committee plan a yearly faculty reception.
- Stress the importance of quiet hours in the chapter facility. The scholarship chairman should monitor them and take appropriate steps to discipline members who violate them.
- Collect and file records of the chapter's academic performance with Headquarters.

Your impact on a student's life is immeasurable. Remember your undergraduate days and how important it was to you when a faculty member took an interest in you. Since a great deal of learning takes place outside of the classroom, it is important for the faculty to become involved in the extracurricular life of the student.